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The article partially attributes a slow tally of General 2008 votes to “King County's 16-year-old ballot-counting equipment”.

The article states -

“The county had hoped to use new, faster vote-counting machines. But a federal law requires that the U.S. Election Assistance Commission certify the machines before they can be used. That hasn't happened, a frustration that the state and county have been vocal about.” ...

"We have made this work by nursing this equipment along and treating it very tenderly," Huff said.